

REVIEW SHEET

AL-IV-A-020

Historic Preservation Certification Application—Significance

Property: ALGONQUIN HOTEL, 1 BALTIMORE ST., CUMBERLAND, MD Project No.: _____

Historic District: WASHINGTON STREET
10-17-88 date initial application received by State _____ date(s) additional information requested by State
10-17-88 date complete information received by State _____
_____ date of this transmittal to NPS _____
Inspection of property by State staff? ☐ no ☒ yes date(s): 11-14-88

☒ There is adequate documentation enclosed to evaluate the historic character and integrity of this property.

☐ There is insufficient documentation to evaluate the property adequately. The application is missing the following items:

Reasonable efforts have been made to obtain this information. Copies of the information requests are enclosed.

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This property involves:

<input type="checkbox"/> Extensive loss of historic fabric	<input type="checkbox"/> Obscured or covered elevation(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Substantial alterations over time	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved property
<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary determination of listing	<input type="checkbox"/> State recommendation inconsistent with NR documentation
_____ for district	<input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation different from the applicant's request
_____ for individual property	
<input type="checkbox"/> Significance less than 50 years old	

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Complete item(s) below as appropriate.

(1) The documentation on file with the National Register cites the period(s) of significance of this historic district as 1750-1930

(2) The property ☒ contributes ☐ does not contribute to the historic significance of this registered historic district in:
 ☒ location ☒ design ☒ setting ☒ materials ☒ workmanship ☒ feeling ☐ association
 _____ Property is mentioned in the NR or State or local district documentation in Section _____, page _____.

(3) For properties less than 50 years old:

_____ the historical merits of the district (the periods and areas of significance) are documented in the National Register form or district documentation on file as less than 50 years old, justifying the certification of this property's contribution.
_____ the exceptional historical or architectural significance of this property as described in the National Register form or district documentation on file justifies its certification as contributing.
_____ there is insufficient justification to consider this property as contributing to the district for its individual exceptional architectural or historical significance or the significance of the district does not extend to the last 50 years.

(4) For preliminary determinations:

A. The status of the nomination for the property/historic district:

_____ Nomination has already been submitted to State review board, and nomination will be forwarded to the NPS within _____ months. (Draft nomination is enclosed.)
_____ Nomination was submitted to the NPS on _____.
_____ Nomination will be submitted to the State review board within twelve months.
_____ Nomination process likely will be completed within thirty months.
_____ Other, explain:

B. Evaluation of the property:

_____ Property is individually eligible and meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation
_____ Property is located within a potential registered district that meets National Register
Criteria for Evaluation: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
Criteria Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

(5) The property is located in a registered district, is outside the period(s) or area(s) of significance as documented in the NR form and:
_____ appears to contribute to the expanded significance of the district. Enclosed is the revised nomination documentation.
_____ does not appear to contribute to the period(s) or area(s) of significance of the district.

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Describe and evaluate the physical characteristics of the property, its integrity, and its significance within the context of the historic district (or individually for preliminary determinations of individual listings).

BUILT IN 1926, THIS RESIDENTIAL HOTEL BUILDING REFLECTS VARIOUS ECLECTIC FEATURES SUCH AS GEOMETRIC ELEMENTS OF ART DECO AND THE SYMMETRY OF CLASSICAL REVIVAL.

THE FIRST FLOOR, STREET FACADES HAVE BEEN ALTERED OVER THE YEARS WITH GLASS BLOCK AND ALUMINUM SASH. THE DECORATIVE METAL ENTRY CANOPY WAS ADDED PROBABLY IN THE 1930'S AND CURRENTLY IS COVERED BY MODERN DECORATIVE SHEET METAL. THE INTERIOR LOBBY AND RESTAURANT AREAS CONTAIN HIGH CEILINGS AND DECORATIVE PLASTER COLUMNS, WALLS AND CEILINGS - MOST OF WHICH IS DAMAGED BUT STILL REPAIRABLE. THE UPPER FLOORS CONTAIN ALL RESIDENTIAL ROOMS RETAINING THEIR ORIGINAL APPEARANCE INCLUDING TRIM AND BATHROOM FIXTURES.

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State Official Recommendation:

This application for the above-named property has been reviewed by MICHAEL DAY, a professionally qualified architect, architectural historian, or historian on my staff.

- ☒ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- ☐ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
- ☐ The property does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
- ☐ The property appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.
- ☐ The property does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will not be nominated.
- ☐ The property appears to contribute to the significance of a:
 - ☐ potential historic district which appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.
 - ☐ registered historic district but is outside the period(s) or areas of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS. Revised nomination or district documentation is enclosed.
- ☐ The property should be denied a preliminary determination that it could qualify as a certified historic structure.
- ☐ Insufficient documentation has been provided to evaluate the structure.

☐ Detailed NPS review recommended ☐ Precedent-setting case ☐ Forwarded without recommendation

Date

11-18-88

State Official Signature



☐ See attachments:

NPS Comments:

Date

NPS Reviewer

Easement

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

OMB Approved
No. 1024-0009

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**HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
PART 1 — EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE**

ADDITIONAL HISTORICAL
FOOTNOTES

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Project No:

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Type or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

1. Name of property: Algonquin Hotel
Address of property: Street 1 Baltimore Street
City Cumberland County Allegany State Maryland Zip 21502
Name of historic district: Washington Street Historic District
☒ National Register district ☐ certified state or local district ☐ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Project contact:

Name David R. Pederson - Galpin Ciaccio Klick Associates
Street 5801 Cedar Lake Road City Minneapolis
State Minnesota Zip 55416 Daytime Telephone Number 612-545-7674

4. Owner:

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the property described above. I understand that falsification of factual representations in this application is subject to criminal sanctions of up to \$10,000 in fines or imprisonment for up to five years pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Name Richard Westin Signature [Signature] Date 10-7-88
Organization Historical Housing for Seniors, Ltd.
Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number 94-3043701
Street 2614 Telegraph Avenue City Berkeley
State California Zip 94704 Daytime Telephone Number 415-548-6600

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application — Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date

National Park Service Authorized Signature

National Park Service Office/Telephone No:

☐ See Attachments

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**HISTORIC PRESERVATION
CERTIFICATION APPLICATION—
PART 1**

NPS Office Use Only

Algonquin Hotel

Property Name

Cumberland, Maryland

Property Address

Project Number:

5. **Description of physical appearance:** This building, located at one of the busiest intersections in town, is a six floor plus walk-out basement brick veneer structure built in 1926. It is U-shaped in plan with a flat roof and regularly spaced wood double hung windows. Its design contains various eclectic features such as geometric elements of art deco and symmetry of classical revival. The first floor of the street facades has been altered over the years with glass block and aluminum sash being introduced in various areas. Also the decorative metal entry canopy was added, probably in the 1930's. The first, second and sixth floor windows in the south facade are set apart by simple limestone trim surrounding each of them with additional decorative stone at the entry. The south facade also sports some decorative iron work in the form of railings and lamps. The distinctive octagonal shape of the stucco elevator penthouse is visible from the street. On the interior the first floor is divided into 3 major areas: A group of resident rooms, the lobby, and finally the restaurant/kitchen/bar area. The lobby and restaurant areas contain high ceilings with decorative plaster columns, walls and ceilings; most of which is damaged but still somewhat (85%) intact. The lobby floor and base is marble, and the restaurant floor is hardwood. The upper floors contain all resident rooms retaining their original appearance, including trim and bathroom fixtures. The bathrooms are not all original, however, as they were added in stages over the years, the latest ca. 1950's.

Date of Construction: Opened 10/28/26 Source of Date: Cumberland Daily News

Date(s) of Alteration(s): Various to entry and storefronts

Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when? _____

6. **Statement of significance:** The Washington Street Historic District is a group of historic and architecturally significant buildings constructed between 1750 and 1930. These buildings form a uniform pattern of scale, detailing and use which together form a unique city street. This hotel building forms a transition between the mostly residential area to the west, and the downtown commercial area to the east; the boundary between the two is Wills Creek which abuts the east property line. It was originally built as a residential type hotel with additional accommodations for overnight guests. Over the years the transient guests were gradually phased out by more permanent residents. In its heyday it contained a fully functional restaurant and bar. By the early 1970's the building started its final decline and was used as offices for attorneys and local union headquarters just before being closed permanently in the early 1980's. The building is similar to other buildings in the district in scale, materials, style and period of construction.

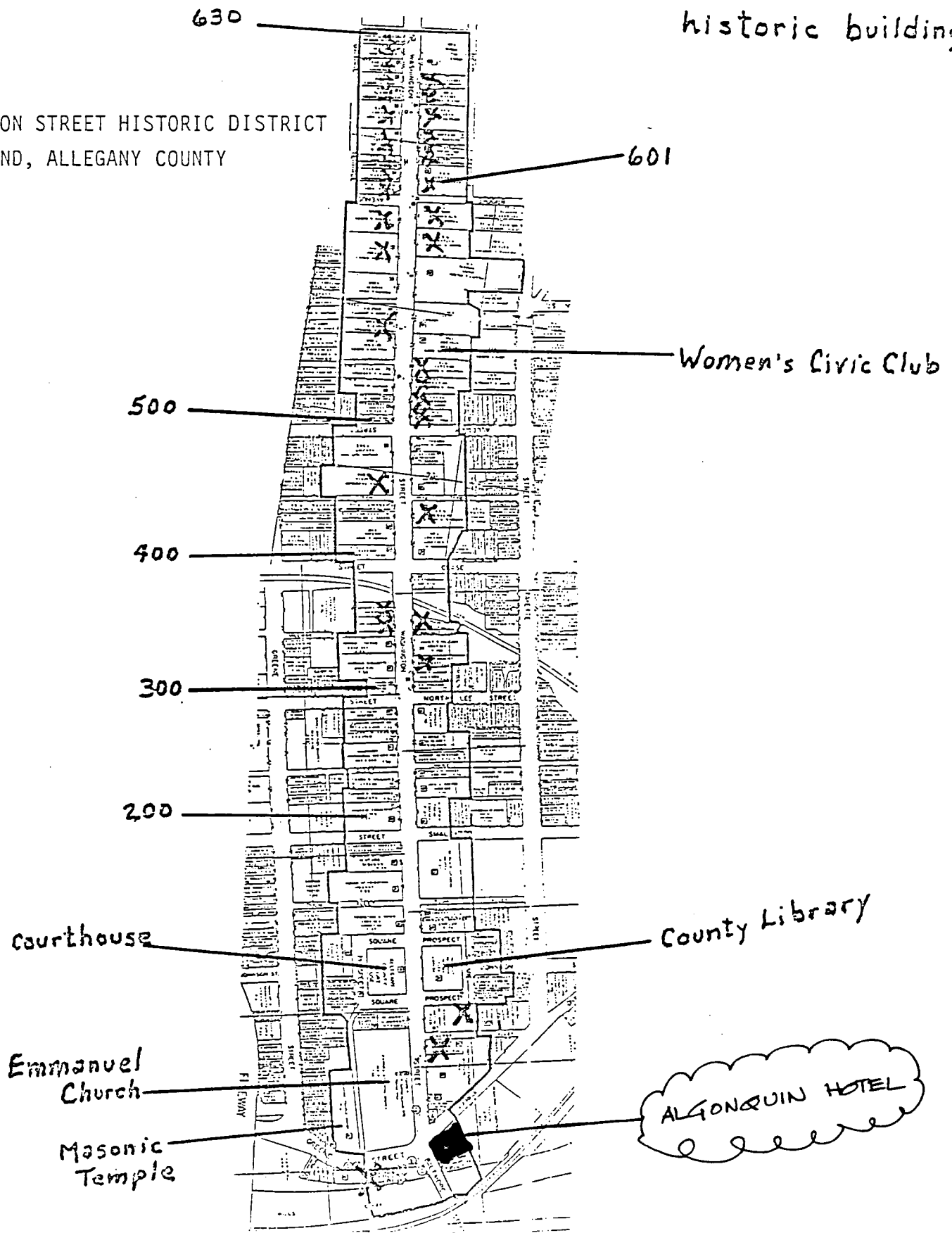
7. **Photographs and maps.** - See photographs submitted with Part II

A _____ photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: ☐ yes ☒ no

X = post 1900
construction
historic building

WASHINGTON STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT
CUMBERLAND, ALLEGANY COUNTY



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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
Algonquin Motor Inn				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
Algonquin Hotel, Algonquin Apartment Hotel				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Baltimore Street at Cumberland Street				
CITY OR TOWN:				
Cumberland				
STATE:			COUNTY:	
Maryland			Allegany	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Bath		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Bath		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments hotel & offices
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME:				
Algonquin Associates, Inc.				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
Algonquin Motor Inn				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	
Cumberland			Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:				
Allegany County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
30 Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	
Cumberland			Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 327-390				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Algonquin Motor Inn stands on the north side of Baltimore Street at the intersection of Greene, Washington, and Cumberland Street, just west of Wills Creek, in the Washington Street Historic District in Cumberland, Allegany County.

The building is a brick structure consisting of a rectangular block with two wings attached to the back (north side). The east wing sets perpendicularly to the main block and the west wing sets on an angle running along Cumberland Street. The structure is six stories high along the street facades (south and west sides) and seven along the back and east sides. The principal facade (south side) along Baltimore Street, has an arrangement of large windows with a margueed entrance at the street level and a series of double and single windows above on the upper levels. Stone belt courses run across the principal facade below the second and sixth floor with the stone surrounds of the windows tied into them. The architraves or surrounds on the second floor have cornices. A small enclosed tower sets on top of the main section of the building.

The interior of the building was renovated in recent years and most of the first floor was altered. The lobby is presently covered with plain wood paneling. A bar is located in the southwest corner and the dining room to the back in the west wing. Most of the east wing on the first floor is used for offices. The basement is used for utilities and the upper floors contain hotel rooms, apartments, meeting rooms, and offices. The interior trim throughout the upper levels is generally classical in design being primarily an entablature molding. Most of the doors have lowered ventilating panels in the upper sections and clear glass door knobs. Nearly all of the bathrooms have ceramic tile wainscoting and floors.

The building is structurally sound. A parking lot surrounds it on the north and east sides.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☒ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☐ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

c. 1926

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Algonquin Motor Inn, known previously as the Algonquin Hotel and Algonquin Apartment Hotel, was built in 1926 as an apartment hotel for the Algonquin Apartment Hotel Corporation. It was designed by W. F. Frederick, a Washington, D. C. architect, with a Cumberland architect George F. Sansbury, as associate architect. The prime mover behind its construction was Edwin B. Claybrook, a physician who resided on Washington Street in Cumberland. About 1936 the hotel was renovated and most of the apartments were converted into hotel rooms. These renovations were the design of T. H. Englehardt, a New York architect. About 1970 the building was renovated again for the present owners.

The Algonquin Motor Inn was one of several hotels that were erected in Cumberland at a time when the city was a major stop on the Western Maryland Railroad system between Chicago and Baltimore (History of Allegany County, I, 273.). Today the Algonquin and the Fort Cumberland Hotel to the east on Baltimore Street still stand as reminders of the great role that transportation played in the development of the city.

Architectural plans in hotel office:

W. F. Frederick
 1313 H Street, N. W.
 Washington, D.C.
 "Algonquin Apartment Hotel"
 25 November 1925
 George F. Sansburg, Associate

T. H. Englehardt, Architect
 101 West 31st Street
 New York, New York
 21 December 1936

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. Allegany County Land Records, Courthouse, Cumberland, Maryland.
2. architectural plans for hotel, Algonquin Motor Inn offices.
3. Thomas, James W. and T. J. C. Williams History of Allegany County, Maryland, 2 vols. Chambersburg, Pa: Titsworth Publishing, 1928.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES			
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			
NW	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"		

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

The property measures approximately 65' x 100'.

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:	
Ronald L. Andrews, Historic Site Survey	
ORGANIZATION	DATE
Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc.	1-13-75
STREET AND NUMBER:	
Algonquin Motor Inn, Suite 510	
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE
Cumberland	Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

PART I. Evaluation of Significance

#3. Statement of Significance

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As mentioned above, the Algonquin Hotel is located in the Washington Street Historic District. Although the nomination form for the Washington Street District does not specifically identify the twentieth century influences on the district there is a significant relationship between the post 1900 aspects of the Street and the 19th century fabric of the street.

From 1890 to 1930 the City of Cumberland experienced an industrial expansion due to its emergence as a transportation center, the genius of local businessmen, and the economic development efforts of the local Chamber of Commerce. Many new industrial concerns such as the N & G Taylor Co., Footers Dye Works, Kelly Springfield Tire Co., Celanese Corporation, and the Wellington Glass Factory to name a few of the larger establishments were developed during this time period. The Washington Street Historic District experienced a development period which paralleled the City-wide economic growth. Indeed, well over 50% of the structures in this district were built in this time period and the street itself became a testimony

to the economic vitality and growth of the City. Many of the prominent leaders of the community in the fields of business, law, medicine, politics and architecture built their homes on Washington Street during this era. The buildings developed in the early part of the twentieth century continued the theme on Washington Street of architectural diversity as the styles ranged from Queen Anne's at 211, 311, 418, 501, 505, and 615 Washington Street, to Georgian Revivals at 400, 511, 532, 616-618, and 628-630 Washington Street, to Southern Plantation at 528, to Carpenter Gothic at 605 Washington Street, to English Stick (Shingle) at 604-606.

The Algonquin Hotel was built towards the end of Cumberland's last industrial boom era but never the less was a product of it. The Hotel is significant not only architecturally but because it serves as a reminder of the role that transportation and industry played in the development of the City and also of the days when Cumberland was the "Queen City of the Alleghenies."

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CITY OR TOWN: <u>Cumberland</u>				
STATE: <u>Maryland</u>		COUNTY: <u>Allegany</u>		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Bath		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comments <u>hotel & offices</u>
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: <u>Algonquin Associates, Inc.</u>				
STREET AND NUMBER: <u>Algonquin Motor Inn</u>				
CITY OR TOWN: <u>Cumberland</u>		STATE: <u>Maryland</u>		
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CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

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CONDITION	(Check One)					
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	(Check One)			(Check One)		
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The building is structurally sound. A parking lot surrounds it on the north and east sides.

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☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☐ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

c. 1926

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The Algonquin Motor Inn was one of several hotels that were erected in Cumberland at a time when the city was a major stop on the Western Maryland Railroad system between Chicago and Baltimore (History of Allegany County, I, 273.). Today the Algonquin and the Fort Cumberland Hotel to the east on Baltimore Street still stand as reminders of the great role that transportation played in the development of the city.

Architectural plans in hotel office:

W. F. Frederick
1313 H Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C.
"Algonquin Apartment Hotel"
25 November 1925
George F. Sansburg, Associate

T. H. Englehardt, Architect
101 West 31st Street
New York, New York
21 December 1936

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

The property measures approximately 65' x 100'.

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Ronald L. Andrews, Historic Site Survey		DATE 1-13-75
ORGANIZATION Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc.		
STREET AND NUMBER: Algonquin Motor Inn, Suite 510		
CITY OR TOWN: Cumberland	STATE Maryland	

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

PART I. Evaluation of Significance

#3. Statement of Significance

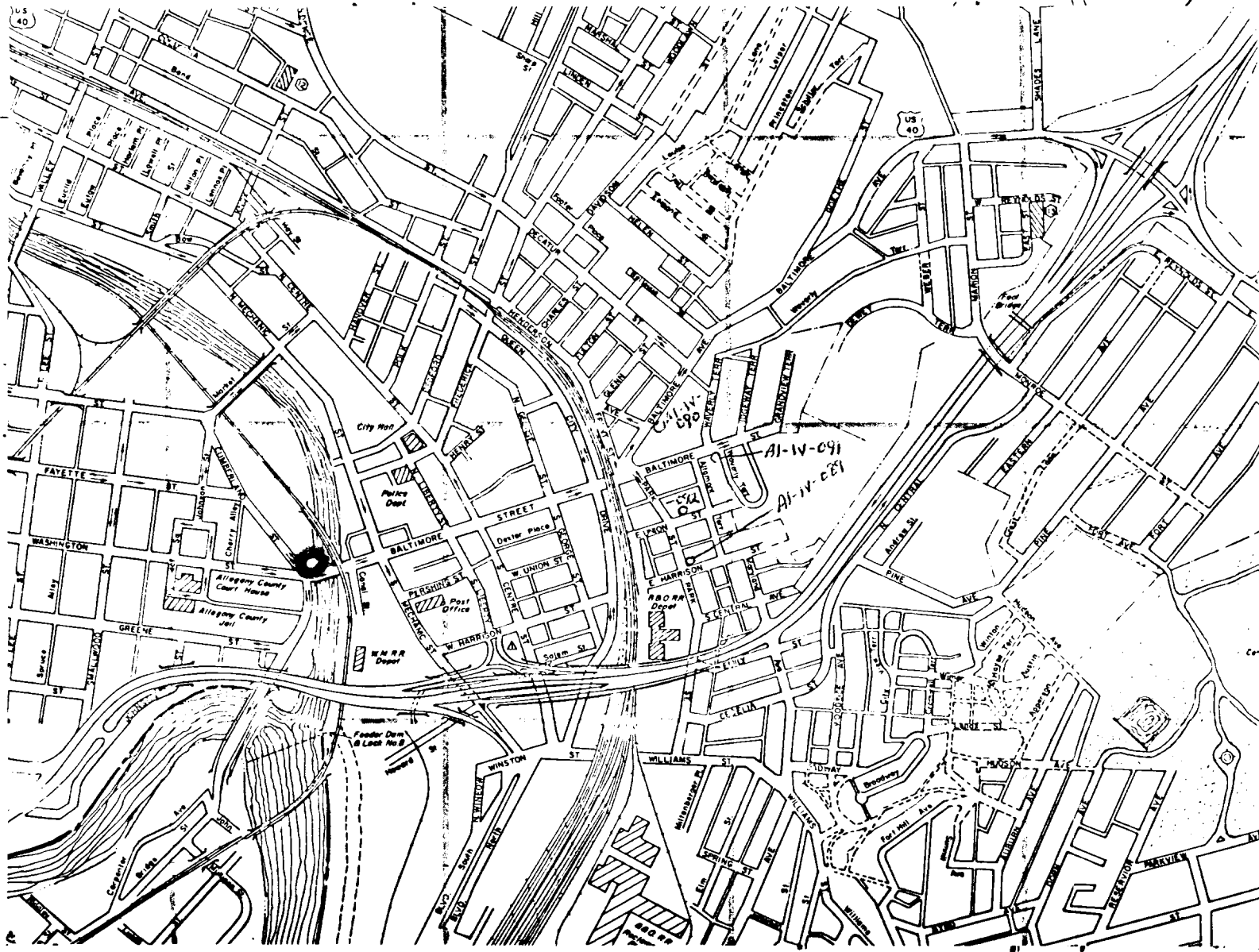
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As mentioned above, the Algonquin Hotel is located in the Washington Street Historic District. Although the nomination form for the Washington Street District does not specifically identify the twentieth century influences on the district there is a significant relationship between the post 1900 aspects of the Street and the 19th century fabric of the street.

From 1890 to 1930 the City of Cumberland experienced an industrial expansion due to its emergence as a transportation center, the genius of local businessmen, and the economic development efforts of the local Chamber of Commerce. Many new industrial concerns such as the N & G Taylor Co., Footers Dye Works, Kelly Springfield Tire Co., Celanese Corporation, and the Wellington Glass Factory to name a few of the larger establishments were developed during this time period. The Washington Street Historic District experienced a development period which paralleled the City-wide economic growth. Indeed, well over 50% of the structures in this district were built in this time period and the street itself became a testimony

to the economic vitality and growth of the City. Many of the prominent leaders of the community in the fields of business, law, medicine, politics and architecture built their homes on Washington Street during this era. The buildings developed in the early part of the twentieth century continued the theme on Washington Street of architectural diversity as the styles ranged from Queen Anne's at 211, 311, 418, 501, 505, and 615 Washington Street, to Georgian Revivals at 400, 511, 532, 616-618, and 628-630 Washington Street, to Southern Plantation at 528, to Carpenter Gothic at 605 Washington Street, to English Stick (Shingle) at 604-606.

The Algonquin Hotel was built towards the end of Cumberland's last industrial boom era but never the less was a product of it. The Hotel is significant not only architecturally but because it serves as a reminder of the role that transportation and industry played in the development of the City and also of the days when Cumberland was the "Queen City of the Alleghenies."



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Map of City of Cumberland,
Allegany Co., Maryland
 Charles R. Nuzum, City Engineer
 revised 1971
 scale:





Algonquin Motor Inn
Baltimore Street at Cumberland Street
Cumberland, Allegany Co
Maryland
SW view
June 1974

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Algonquin Motor Inn
Baltimore Street at Green St
Cumberland
Allegheny Co, Md
New view
June 1974

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April 1920



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April 1990



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Algonquin Hotel
April 1990